



The Lord's Day  
February 28, 2021

Presbyterian Church in America

## *Welcome to Grace Fellowship!*

We are delighted that you have chosen to join us on this Lord's Day to worship our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. As you worship with us, we trust that you will be inspired to sing praises with your whole heart, to experience the presence of the Holy Spirit, to be challenged and uplifted by the preaching and teaching of the gospel from God's word. It is our prayer that we all leave this place changed people, and that we would all be confident that we have been in the presence of the Lord.

During this difficult time of phased regathering, we are only offering worship at 10:30 with no child care provided. We also have a Wednesday evening Bible study via ZOOM. Contact us through the website or email address on the back of the bulletin to participate.

Our worship service will be abbreviated. No food will be served because of the danger of spreading COVID-19. Social distancing will be observed.

We ask that you wear masks for the sake of the most vulnerable among us. If you choose not to wear a mask, we will have a special seating area designated. We ask that you do not get up and move about the sanctuary. We will have masks and hand sanitizer available. Due to social distancing requirements you will notice that the chairs in the sanctuary are arranged in such a fashion as to keep families at least 6 feet apart. We ask that you observe this social distancing and not sit any closer than 6 feet other than when sitting with members of your own immediate family.

For those who wear masks and are concerned, please be aware that there will be some present who are not wearing masks

For those who are uncomfortable attending, I will still provide a sermon video each week on the website until the danger is past and all quarantine restrictions have been lifted.

You will find a prayer request slip in the bulletin. If you have a prayer request, please fill it out and drop it in the offering plate at the table in back. If it is confidential, please write that and give it to the pastor or one of the elders directly. We will keep it in strictest confidence. You may also communicate your prayer requests by e-mail to [info@graceasheboro.org](mailto:info@graceasheboro.org).

If you are visiting with us, please fill out a blue visitor's card available at the back or from one of the greeters. We would love to stay in touch with you.

*As there continues to be concern about the spread of COVID-19, we recommend that everyone wear a mask or face shield, use hand sanitizer (available at the back), and maintain rigorous social distancing.*

So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, **2** complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. **3** Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but *in humility count others more significant than yourselves*. **4** *Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others*. **5** Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus—*Philippians 2:1-5*

*Welcome and Announcements*

*Opening Prayer*

*\*Call to Worship*

Psalm 130

*\*Song of Praise      Sweetly Broken*

Words and Music: Jeremy Riddle

To the cross I look  
To the cross I cling  
Of its suffering I do drink  
Of its work I do sing

For on it my Savior  
Both bruised and crushed  
Showed that God is love  
And God is just

*(Chorus)*

At the cross You beckon me  
You draw me gently to my knees, and I am  
Lost for words, so lost in love,  
I'm sweetly broken,  
Wholly surrendered

What a priceless gift  
Undeserved life  
Have I been given  
Through Christ crucified

You've called me out of death  
You've called me into life  
And I was under Your wrath  
Now through the cross I'm reconciled

*(Repeat Chorus x2)*

In awe of the cross I must confess  
How wondrous Your redeeming love and  
How great is Your faithfulness

*(Repeat Chorus x2)*

*\*Hymn of Praise O, Love That Will Not Let Me Go*

Words: George Matheson; Music: Christopher Miner

**1** O Love that will not let me go,  
I rest my weary soul in thee;  
I give thee back the life I owe,  
That in thine ocean depths its flow  
May richer, fuller be.

**2** O light that foll'west all my way,  
I yield my flick'ring torch to thee;  
My heart restores its borrowed ray,  
That in thy sunshine's blaze its day  
May brighter, fairer be.

**3** O Joy that seekest me through pain,  
I cannot close my heart to thee;  
I trace the rainbow through the rain,  
And feel the promise is not vain,  
That morn shall tearless be.

**4** O Cross that liftest up my head,  
I dare not ask to fly from thee;  
I lay in dust life's glory dead,  
And from the ground there blossoms red  
Life that shall endless be.

*Message*

Rev. Doug Stelzig

**Lenten Series: Jesus' Farewell to the Disciples** (John 13-17)  
**Humility and Love**

John 13:1-20

**13** Now before the Feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart out of this world to the Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. **2** During supper, when the devil had already put it into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him, **3** Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going back to God, **4** rose from supper. He laid aside his outer garments, and taking a towel, tied it around his waist. **5** Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was wrapped around him. **6** He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, do you wash my feet?" **7** Jesus answered him, "What I am doing you do not understand now, but afterward you will understand." **8** Peter said to him, "You shall never wash my feet." Jesus answered him, "If I do not wash you, you have no share with me." **9** Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" **10** Jesus said to him, "The one who has bathed does not need to wash, except for his feet, but is completely clean. And you are clean, but not every one of you." **11** For he knew who was to betray him; that was why he said, "Not all of you are clean."

**12** When he had washed their feet and put on his outer garments and resumed his place, he said to them, "Do you understand what I have done to you? **13** You call me Teacher and Lord, and you are right, for so I am. **14** If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. **15** For I have given you an example, that you also should do just as I have done to you. **16** Truly, truly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. **17** If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them. **18** I am not speaking of all of you; I know whom I have chosen. But the Scripture will be fulfilled, 'He who ate my bread has lifted his heel against me.' **19** I am telling you this now, before it takes place, that when it does take place you may believe that I am he. **20** Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever receives the one I send receives me, and whoever receives me receives the one who sent me."

*\*Song of Praise We Will Feast in the House of Zion*

Words and Music: Joshua Moore, Sandra McCracken

*Chorus*

We will feast in the house of Zion  
We will sing with our hearts restored  
He has done great things we will say together  
We will feast and weep no more

1. We will not be burned by the fire  
He is the Lord our God  
We are not consumed by the flood  
Upheld protected gathered up

*(Repeat Chorus)*

2. In the dark of night before the dawn  
My soul be not afraid  
For the promised morning oh how long  
Oh God of Jacob be my strength

*(Repeat Chorus)*

3. Every vow we've broken and betrayed  
You are the faithful one  
And from the garden to the grave  
Bind us together bring shalom

*(Repeat Chorus)*

*The Lord's Supper*

The Institution

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

The Invitation

Corporate Confession of Sin

From  
*The Book of Common Prayer*

(unison) **Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men, we acknowledge and mourn for the many sins which we have committed, by thought, word and deed, against Your divine majesty, provoking most justly Your anger and indignation against us. We earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for our misdoings which we remember with shame. Have mercy on us, most merciful Father. Forgive us all that is past and grant that from this time forward we may serve and please You in newness of life, to the honour and glory of Your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Romans 8:1-2

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death.

Prayer

The Bread and Cup

Prayer

*\*Our Response and Offering*      2 Corinthians 9:11-12

**11** You will be enriched in every way to be generous in every way, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God. **12** For the ministry of this service is not only supplying the needs of the saints but is also overflowing in many thanksgivings to God.

*\*Reprise* (see p. 7)

*We Will Feast in the  
House of Zion* (chorus)

*\*Benediction*

Pastor

Notes

## Notes

### Prayer Concerns

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2 We ought always to give thanks to God for you, brothers, as is right, because your faith is growing abundantly, and the love of every one of you for one another is increasing.—2 *Thessalonians* 1:3

#### *Our Church Family*

For Grace Fellowship, that we might be Christ's witnesses in Asheboro, that we might grow in unity and in grace, and for our sister churches in the area and throughout the country;

For our community, Asheboro and Randolph County as we continue to deal with the effects of COVID-19 and for all affected by it.

For health-care workers;

For our children and our Children's Ministry,

Paul & Emily Adams-health concerns; Julie Hardy-health concerns;

Donna Biesecker as she continues to grieve the loss of her son, Chuck, and for Chuck's wife, Cass, and their family; for Donna's brother- and sister-in-law, Gene and Susie Biesecker: both have health problems, and Susie has broken her hip.

Carmacs, for Zoe who has moved back to NCSU, and Noel as she attends Asheboro High School online; for both girls to grow in the grace and knowledge of

Christ; for Janice' brother, Roger Bouldin, who is hospitalized with breathing issues and fluid on the brain; for Chris' dad, John Carmac ;

Zoe Carmac, for her friend, Lindsey, who was in a serious car accident, is now awake but has brain injuries and is preparing for rehab;

Crosses; who have arrived in Arizona, that the time they have with children and grandchildren will glorify Christ;

Jan Greer: Jan had successful surgery to remove a very small cancerous mass; her lymph nodes were free of cancer; She is starting a course of radiation treatment as a precaution against recurrence;

Hensleys: for Gracie as she continues nursing school, especially for the difficulty of learning online; for Mark's colleague Mac, who is in the hospital with COVID-19 and other health issues;

Ashley Richardson: for continued healing; for grace as she finishes up her college degree, and for the Wirt family who lost their son recently; for new opportunities as she approaches graduation.

Doug Richardson, for the turmoil and uncertainty of the hospital's changeover to new management;

Rosentraters: for Michelle as she struggles with chronic health issues;

Stelziqs as Cindy travels to Montgomery, Alabama for a conference and then on to Florida for a time of reflection and renewal in the Lord;

Zack and Janice Roberts, and their growing infant daughter, Blair;

William and Deborah Voncannon, as they and their extended family continue to battle coronavirus; praise as their condition continues to improve;

Brenda Yelverton, for her and her family, especially her Aunt Shirley; on the loss of Brenda's uncle Jerry.

### *Our Missionary Families*

Jonah & Shadeeya Hooper, Neraiah, Jonah, with Reformed University Fellowship at Winston-Salem State University, especially during this season when Jonah is not able to be on campus because of COVID-19 restrictions;

John and Lorena McCall, Annaliese, Caleb, Benjamin with Mission to the World who just arrived in Medellin, Colombia; please pray for their transition;

Jeremy & Gina Sink, Garrett, Josiah, Joshua, with Serge in Nagoya, Japan (newsletter available online [www.grace4japan.com](http://www.grace4japan.com));

Darin & Melanie Stone, Sarah, Luke, Ryan, and Caroline, with Mission to North America/Ministry to the State in Raleigh, NC; continue to pray for their family, especially for their infant daughter, Caroline, for Melanie as she teaches school virtually while the kids attend school virtually at home, as well as for Darin as he, too works from home and helps with the kids' schooling.

Announcements

Wednesday Prayer & Bible Study

Small Group/Bible Study meets weekly on Wednesdays from 7:00 PM to 8:00 pm via ZOOM. We will continue our study of Philippians. Please join us as we seek to understand God's story, our place in it, and how that undergirds all of our beliefs. Email us for details on how to join the meeting.

Sunday Morning Activities Curtailed

For the time being, there will be no Sunday breakfast, no children's Sunday School, and no Adult Bible Study.

*Pastor*            Rev. Doug Stelzig  
*Elders*            Chris Carnac  
                         Mark Hensley  
                         Peter Rosentrater  
                         Jim Cross (*emeritus*)  
*Treasurer*        Doug Richardson

Financial Updates

As of 12/31/2020	Actual	Budgeted	Difference
Giving – Year-to-date	\$ 5,864.00	\$ 4,428.00	\$ 1,436.00
Expenses--Year-to-date	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 8,633.00	\$ (133.00)
Difference--Year-to-date	\$ (2,636.00)	\$ (4,205.00)	\$ 1,569.00
Assets/Reserves	\$ 45,524.69		

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